

Executive Proclamation State of South Dakota Office Of The Governor

WHEREAS, July 5, 1989, marks NonDependence Day, a day created to help fight respiratory diseases such as lung cancer, emphysema, and chronic bronchitis by encouraging smokers to quit as well as to focus attention on the addictive nature of nicotine; and,

WHEREAS, NonDependence Day was originated by the American Lung Association, the Christmas Seal People, to celebrate a new freedom; and,

WHEREAS, The American Lung Association created this annual event in response to the Surgeon General's 1988 report on nicotine addiction as a meaningful first step in the ongoing process of quitting, and an opportunity for ex-smokers to reaffirm and celebrate their commitment to stay off cigarettes; and,

WHEREAS, The American Lung Association, the South Dakota Lung Association and other affiliates throughout the country, the American Lung Association's medical section, and the American Thoracic Society, are dedicated to the prevention, cure, and control of all lung diseases and some of its related causes, including smoking, air pollution, and occupational lung hazards; and,

WHEREAS, The American Lung Association and the South Dakota Lung Association's goals for NonDependence Day are to educate the public about the hazards of smoking to smokers and nonsmokers; to address the relationship of smoking and nicotine dependence; and, most importantly, to help people successfully quit smoking:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GEORGE S. MICKELSON, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim July 5, 1989, as

NONDEPENDENCE DAY

in South Dakota, and I urge the good people of South Dakota to support the message of NonDependence Day.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Seventh Day of June, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Nine

GEORGE S. MICKELSON, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

JOYLE HAZELTINE, SECRETARY OF STATE

